# Long Hair for Sale!

The girls of Brittany and the lower Pyrenees still sell their hair at the annual fairs.

Perhaps you are wearing some of this sale-hair! Better spend your money on Ayer's Hair Vigor and have an abundance of your

If your hair is turning gray and you are beginning to look a little old, Ayer's Hair Vigor will surely bring back to it all the dark, rich color of youth.

"At 19 my hair began to turn gray. I used Ayer's Hair Vigor; and now, at 62 years of age, my hair has the natural jet black color it had when I was 17." I. W. WILLIAMS, Shenandoah Junction, W. Va.



#### DECIDE TO GRANT TERMINAL FRANCHISE

New Steam Belt to Encircle St. Louis Parallel With Central Route.

FRISCO COMMON STOCK IS UP

That Road May Soon Declare Divi dends-Texas, Railroad Commission Grants Sweeping Tariff Reductions.

The Judges of the St. Louis County Court met in executive session yesterday with County Counsellor Heidern and Surveyor William Elbring, to consider the application of the Terminal Railway Company for a franchise to build a steam belt rallroad through the county to encircle the city of St. Louis, and decided to grant the franchise upon certain conditions.

What the conditions are they said they would not make public until next Monday. It is known that a proposition was made to charge the company \$25,000 for the fran-chise, but it is said that this amount was afterward reduced to \$10,000. It is said that the company will also be required to file a \$50,000 bond.

The route proposed by the Terminal company practically parallels that of the Cen-tral Belt Railroad Company, John H. Over-

Many Betterments at Big Outlay Planued for Future.

Pinned for Future.

The strength of Frisco stocks has been a subject of comment in railroad and financial circles in St. Louis and Eastern centers for several days. It is said here that the heaviest buyers are St. Louis persons. Most of the buying yesterday in New York was credited to an important international house.

Yesterday those officials in the city at the company's headquarters claimed to have no knowledge of a deal. In New York no definite news in regard to the property was obtainable, but it was reported that both banking and speculative circles seemed to have some information in regard to the proposed readjustment of capitalization and dividend prospects of the common stocks.

Only a few months ago Frisco common was at less than a third than now quoted. An official declared that it was his opinion that the company's recent statements showing heavy increases is responsible for the advance, and it was his opinion that it will not be long before dividends will come. The company, since the consolidation with the Memphis, has taken in several lesser roads, and it has plans to secure the control of still others and to build several hundred miles of new branches and connections.

The company has contracts placed for 100 miles of new branches and connections.

The company has contracts placed for spring delivery for the Eastern and Southern districts, and 200 miles of road are to be heavily ballasted at once. Four hundred miles of road have been reballasted in the last eighteen months. In a few days 1,700 freight cars will be delivered to the company, and later 1,000 stock cars, all of 60,000 and 80,000



DISEASES

Doctor Milen is the only specialist in sex-ual diseases of men in St. Louis who treats all patients personally. His experience is more extensive and skill greater than any other specialist in his line in America. He has the largest and best-equipped offices in the West, and has the largest practice. He refers to the best banks and business men, He gives a legally binding contract to cure or refund his fee.

He guarantees a quick and lasting cure in all cases of Sexual Debility, Specific Blood Poison, Stricture, Varicoccie, Weak Back, Prostatic Trouble and all Sexual Allments of Men. Consultation free. Office hours, S a. to S p. m. daily and S to 12 Sundays.

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capacity. In January, February and March fifty-one ten-wheelers and consolidated io-comotives will be delivered, and forty more lighter engines in the fall. Among these will be some of the largest engines ever built.

WILLIAMS IS MADE PRESIDENT.

t. Louis Passenger Agents Elect Of-E. A. Williams, general passenger and ticket agent of the C. P. and St. L., yesterday was elected president of the St. Louis Association of General Passenger and Ticket Agents. C. S. Crane, general passenger and ticket agent of the Wabash, was reflected secretary. George B. Allen, assistant general passenger agent of the Bouthern, was elected vice president.

Alex. Hilton, general passenger agent of



E. A. WILLIAMS. President of the St. Louis Association of General Passenger and Ticket Agents.

the Frisco: J. M. Chesbrough, assistant produced that at least \$3,603,600 would be spent in the construction of the road. The company has already begun work on a franchise that was granted, north of the Wabash tracks, in the county, its first petition for a belt franchise was filed nearly ten years ago, and has been renewed at various times since then.

FRISCO STOCK IN DEMAND.

SWEEPING REDUCTIONS GRANTED. Texas Railroad Commission Favors Shippers' Petition,

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Dallas, Tex., Jan. 17.-The Railroad Comnission of Texas promulgated the most important order yesterday that the body has

portant order yesterday that the body has issued in years. The pelition of Texas shippers for sweeping reductions in commodity tariffs was granted by Commissioners Mayfield and Storey, Judge Reagan not agreeing, the order to be effective twenty days after its issuance.

It is estimated by rate experts that the order of the commission means a loss to the railroads and a great gain to the shippers. A prominent railroad attorney in Texas was asked to-day: "Will an answer to the courts be made?"

He answered: "The freight rate reductions are excessive, but I do not know what course will be decided upon."

COTTON BELT ASKS EXEMPTION.

Other Roads May Follow in Matter of Texas Action on Tariff Classes. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Austin, Tex., Jan. 17.-The Cotton Belt has

nade the first move in the matter of the commissions' action in adopting the new commissions' action in adopting the new tariff of classes.

General Freight Agent Lehane of the Cotton Belt this evening telegraphed the commission requesting that his road be exempted from the new tariff. It is expected that a number of other roads will also ask to be exempted, but the commission, it is said, is not disposed to grant such requests, and will not do so. The new tariff will become effective February 19.

Mortgage to St. Louis Trust Co. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Chester, Ill., Jan. 17.—A first mortgage of \$5.500,000 has been filed in the Recorder's office of Randolph County by the St. Louis Valley Railroad Company, in favor of the St. Louis Trust Company. The indentative covers all the portion of the line already built and that remaining yet to be built between St. Louis and Thebes. No Vote for Members Out of Service.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 17.-Members of

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 17.—Members of the various divisions of the United Brotherhood of Raliway Employes, who are out of actual service, will not in future be permitted to vote on questions of adjustment. This was decided by the convention of the chief division to-day. The salary of the president has been fixed at \$159 per month; that of general auditor at \$125. It was also decided that the pay of the first and second vice presidents be fixed at \$120 per month, with a limited expense account. Peoria-Dixon Branch Is Opened.

Peorla, Ill., Jan. 17.-The first train over the new branch of the Northwestern road from Dixon was run into Peoria this after-noon. The regular schedule will be com-menced on Monday. There will be one pas-senger train and two freight trains each way every day.

Bird of the Milwaukee Resigns. Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 17 .- It is officially announced that Ossian F. Bird, assistant general freight agent of the Chicago, Mil-waukee and St. Paul Railroad, has re-signed. He has been with the company since 1885. His future pians are undeter-mined.

Increase in Pay for 500 Operators. The General Committee of the Norfolk and Western Railroad branch of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, it is said, has made a new agreement with the Norfolk and Western by which a substantial increase in pay has been granted and an over-time scale fixed, affecting more than

SODALITY EUCHRE—The second of the series of afternoon euchres, which are being given by the Young Ladies' Sodality of St. Alphonsus's Church, will take place on January 18, and will be a china affair. The euchres are given in the sodality hall. No. 3520 Cook avenue. Playing will commence at 2 p. m.

ST. LEO'S LYCEUM BANQUET—The members of St. Leo's Lyceum were tendered a banquet Thursday night by Father Harty. Toasts were responded to by Father Harty, Father Gavin, Father Lloyd and Father Godfrey, and Messrs. Cahill, Hawley, Gibbons and Giynn. There was a large attendance of the members.

## THE EAST SIDE.

#### RESCUED FROM DEATH UNDER A FLYWHEEL.

Aaron Watson Narrowly Escaped Being Killed in Pit Where He Had Fallen.

Aaron Watson, a one-armed broom pedlar, well known about Belleville, was rescued from a horrible death yesterday morning from the fly wheel pit of the Crescent Nail Mill at Belleville, where he had fallen early Thursday night. He was unconscious and was taken to the County Farm, where he was attended by Doctor Wash West, Jr. The man's injuries are serious, if not

Watson had been soliciting orders for his brooms about the nail mill in the early evening Thursday, and was on his way to his home, when he was prompted to look down in the fly-wheel pit. This is over fifteen feet deep, and while looking down he lost his balance and fell. His head struck the big steel wheel and he lost con-sciousness. When he regained his senses sclousness. When he regained his senses all of the workingmen had gone and his cries for help were not heard.

He was wedged between the wheel and the side of the pit, and he realized that if he was not rescued before the machinery was started that he would be ground to bits before his presence was discovered. He made one last effort and uttered a cry which was heard by the night watchman. The latter investigated and soon discovered Watson in the bottom of the pit. Securing assistance, the watchman rescued Watson and the latter was sent to the hospital.

HEAVY MORTGAGE IS FILED. St. Louis Valley Railroad Executes Instrument for \$5,500,000.

One of the largest mortgages ever re corded at Belleville was filed with County Recorder Charles Haefele yesterday afternoon, and was for \$5,500,000, from the St Louis Valley Railway Company of East St.
Louis to the St. Louis Trust Company. The
mortgage covers the property of the railready constructed and under construction
from East St. Louis to Cairo.
Former Congressman W. S. Forman of
East St. Louis is at the head of the enterprise.

Belleville News Notes. -A special meeting of the cabinet of the Belle-ville Epworth League was held last night at the M. E. Church. M. E. Church.

—Officers of the Knights of Honor Lodge were installed last night.

—A report of the Building Committee of St. George's Parish will be heard after the regular services Sunday morning.

—City Treasurer G. H. Bender has commenced his collection of taxes.

—Daniel Schuman of New Athens was thrown from his rig in a runaway accident yesterday and was baily injured about the body.

—Judge H. H. Horner of Lebanon was a Belleville visitor yesterday.

ALTON.

BOY DROWNED WHILE SKATING. legro Rescues One of Two That Fell Through Ice.

Harry Hamilton, the son of Arthur Hamlton of No. 512 State street, the agent for the C., B. & Q R. R., at East St. Louis, was drowned at Alton yesterday afternoon In company with a boy named George Car-hart, young Hamilton was skating on the pend at the water tanks on State street. The ice broke and Hamilton sank from

The fee bloke and Halmiton sain From View.

A street car was passing at the time, and Arthur Cannon, a negro janitor in Alton, jumped off the car, wading into the pond after the boys. Cannon succeeded in grabbing the Carhart boy before he sank, and brought him safely to the shore.

The body of young Hamilton was recovered an hour later by Officer James Young. Hamilton was 16 years old.

BRIGHTON FEARS A ROBBERY. Tools Stolen From Section-House by

Three men broke into the section-house of the Chicago and Alton Rairroad at Brighton, Ill., yesterday afternoon and took several tools, with which they are expected to ant Jan Krige, an escaped prisoner of the try to commit robbery.

A little over a year ago there was a series of robberies at Brighton, and an attempt was made to rob the town bank. A posse has started in pursuit of the gang that broke open the section-house, and the citi-

broke open the section-house, and the citi-zens will watch the town to prevent any pilfering. Cold Causes Deafness.

John Watts of Alton recently became suddenly deaf. A St. Louis specialist in-formed him that the sudden loss of hearing was due to a severe cold in the head which resulted in the congestion of the Eustach-

Alton Notes and Personals. — 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' will be presented at both matinee and evening performances to-day it the Temple Theater in Alton.

—The funeral of Thomas Hagen of Alton took blace yesterday morning at SS. Peter and Paul's athedral on State street. The Reverent Father F. E. Cusack officiated, and the burial was in Presented Competer. reenwood Cemetery.

-E. G. Webster of Upper Alton is ill at his some on Manning street with blood poison, superinduced by the trimming of a corn on his

home on Manning street with blood poison, superinduced by the trimming of a corn on his foot.

—The funeral of Alice L Elliot, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Elliot, took place yesterday afternoon from the Elliot home on Common street, to the City Cemetery.

—The Ladles' Ald Society of the German Evangelical Church at Alton gave their annual sale yesterday afternoon and evening in the school from adjoining the church on Henry street.

—Deputy Marriane License Clerk Frank A. Bierthaum of Alton yesterday refused to strant a marriage license to Harry Crawford and Miss Agnes Brandt, both of East Alton. The prospective briderroom gave his age as 13, and the bride as 16. The mothers of the applicants accompanied them, but as the fathers were living. Clerk Biertaum refused to issue the license without their consent. The couple stated that they would go and get their fathers.

—Mrs. Anna Hassmann, S years old, diel yesterday at her home, east of East Alton, from pneumonia. Seven children survive her. The funeral will take place from the German Evangelical Church in Alton, on Sunday aftermoon, with burtal at the City Cemetery.

—The Alton Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks held a meeting last evening, at which a number of candidates were intitated. The degree work was done by a team from the Litchield (III.) lodge.

—Mrs. R. H. Saunders of Upper Alton received two telegrams yesterday, both of which announced the death of a relative. One told of the death of Mrs. Saunders's sister, Mrs. Robert Maguire, at Laporte, ia., and the other the death of her niece, Mrs. Jesse Kinder, at Franklin, O.

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—Mrs. Zorada Parker, 71 years old, died suddenly yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Levis, at No. 611 State street, from heart failure, superinduced up grip. Mrs. Parker had been in Alton since 1841. Three children survive, Mrs. Charles Levis, Mrs. Felix I. Wise of Alton, and W. C. Parker of St. Louls.

LETTER IS HALF A CENTURY OLD. Hotel Clerk Receives Epistle He Penned in 1849. Clerk C. E. Miner of the Commercial Ho-

morning. Mr. Miner has stood behind the desk of the Commercial for fifteen years, but no guest was ever received more cordially than was a letter which the postman left with the morning mail. The letter was from Mr. Miner's nephew, Doctor James Miner of Winchester, Ill. Inside was a letter which Mr. Miner had written to his nephew nearly fifty-three years ago. Its visit reminded him of his boyhood days. The letter was addressed to "Master James Miner, Winchester, Scott County, Ill.," and bore the postmark "Jerseyville, Ill., April 23, 1845." That was before the advent of railroads in Jersey County, and the letter was carried to Winchester by stage. The date was also previous to that when envelopes came into general use, and the letter was written on good paper of legal cap size, folded and scaled with wax, the address being written on the back side of the letter. Age had "yellowed" the paper, but the writing was in indelible ink and still legible. desk of the Commercial for fifteen years,

the writing was in indelible ink and still legible.

A number of items of historical interest are in the letter. The California gold fever was at its height, and the departure of a wagon train of "forty-niners" is graphically told. William Kingsley, now a resident of Burlingame, Kas., was one of the party. An interesting bit of the religious life of the community was also told in the letter, in the employment of the Reverend Justus Buckley as the pastor of the Jerseyville Baptist Church at a salary of \$300 a year. The Reverend Doctor Buckley died three years ago, while at the head of the theological department of Shurtieff College. The ravages of the smallpox epidemic of 1849 was also spoken of by the writer.

The letter was discovered a few days ago

by Doctor James Miner, while examining some old papers which had been the prop-erty of his father, the late E. G. Miner of Winchester.

Jerseyville Items. -Mrs. J. H. Frost of Fidelity, Ill., is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Harris, in Jerseyville, from a stroke of paralysis sustained yesterday morning.

-The funeral of Miss Daisy Reynolds took place yesterday morning at the home of Mrs. Perry Davis of Jerseyville, the Reverend Doctor Jay A. Ford, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. The burial was at Carroliton, Ill.

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-The union evangelistic services, which are being conducted at the First Haptist Church in Jerseyylle, are growing in interest. The sermon last evening was preached by the Reverend Doc-tor William Quigley Bennett of Mauch Chunk, East Side Realty Transfers.

Real estate transfers filed for record with Coun Recorder Charles Haefele at Belleville yester-

ty Recorder Charles Haefele at Belleville yesterday were:
Fred Holdener and wife to J. T. Holliday, undivided one-sixth of part of block D, O'Fallon;
warranty deed: 31.
J. T. Holliday and wife to Lulu F. Varney,
tots I and 2. Bond's second addition to O'Fallon;
quitcialm deed; \$1.
Lulu Varney and hasband to Fred Holdener,
same property as above, quitcialm deed; \$1.
F. P. Brigham and wife to E. C. Harris, part
of lot 32, block 25, Longwood addition to East
St. Louis; warranty deed; \$37,50.
H. C. Gowkill and wife et al. to T. L. Fekete,
lots 16 and 17, and part of lot 18, block 58, Claremont annex to Winstanley Park; warranty deed;
\$765, 15.
J. B. Sikking, Jr., and wife to A. M. M.

Affect to winstanicy Park; warranty deed; \$765.15.

J. B. Sikking, Jr., and wife to A. M. M. Beckwith, part of lots 14, 15 and 16, Rose Hill addition to East St. Louis; warranty deed; \$3,000.

William Ehrhard and wife to Frances S. Flood, part of lot 165, C. O. McCasiand's subdivision to Central place, East St. Louis; warranty deed; \$500.

John Bavington to P. W. Abt, lot 6, Abt's subdivision to lot 19; East St. Louis; warranty deed; \$2,000.

P. W. Abt and wife to James Biake, lots 14 and 15, block 26, Winstanley Park; warranty deed; \$2,000.

C. O. McCasiand and wife to F. Meyer, part of lot 2 block 40 North Claremen Additional Control of the Company of the control of the 1: \$2,000.

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O. McCasiand and wife to F. Meyer, part 1: 2. block 40. North Claremont addition to St. Louis; warranty deed; \$500.

C. Carl and wife to W. F. Carl, lot 12, 5. Landsdowne, East St. Louis; warranty 3500.

Cosevellle Wants & Connon. Residents of Caseyville are endeavoring to secure from the Government one of the 1,000-pound cannons captured in the war with Spain. It is the desire of the citizens of Caseyville to place the cannon in the Public Square. The movement to secure the cannon is headed by Mayor Moser and

the members of the G. A. R. Post of Object to Car Service.

Residents of the West End, Belleville, tre complaining about the poor car service which they say the Belleville Traction Company is giving. It is understood that a petition will soon be passed around to ask the City Council to compel the Traction Company to either run the big cars at a fifteen-minute schedule or to run "dinkey" cars on this schedule. Object to Car Service

Belleville Marriage Licenses. Marriage licenses issued in Belleville yes-terday were to Anthony Stelmaxowicz and Agatha Razas, St. Louis: Nick Walgand and Caroline Yung, Mascoutah.

East St. Louis News Notes.

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- "Puddenhead Wilson" will be the attraction at the McCasland Opera-house Sunday evening.

- Considerable interest has been manifested in the revival meetings at the Summit Avenue M. E. Church.

- Henry Aligen, a Terminal Railway switchman, fell from a box car yesterday morning. Hoth his legs were broken. He was taken to the Henrietta Hospital.

- In a fight between union and nonunion men at Tenth street and St. Louis avenue, East St. Louis, yesterday morning, R. D. Altman of St. Louis, yesterday morning, R. D. Altman of St. Louis was injured about the head.

- Walter Brown, conductor on car No. 20 of the East St. Louis electric street car line, was badly cut about the face and head by glass as the result of a rear-end collision between his car and a Suburban car on the viaduct, East St. Louis. Prown was taken to his home.

- The child of John Kinsella, No. 1311 Fisher avenue, East St. Louis, died last night, and will be buried to-morrow afternoon at St. Henry's Cometery.

#### **ESCAPED BOER** PRISONER LECTURES.

Commandant Jan Krige Addresses About Five Hundred Persons at Concordia Turner Hall.

An audience of 500 persons, many of them vomen, last night sat for two hours in Concordia Turner Hall to hear Command-Boer Army, recount the stirring events of his personal experience and the horrors of British reconcentration camps in South Africa.

The audience comprised prominent citizens from every quarter of St. Louis, and loudly cheered Commandant Krige's vivid accounts of the battles, which have marked course of the Boers' struggle against England.

After his introduction by Professor E. Seuel of Walther College, Commandant Krige began what he termed his appeal to the sympathy of American people in behalf

He declared that the war for independ nce would be continued by the Boers until the termination would be a victory for the Boers. The English soldiers in South Africa, he said, had steadily lost heart as, one by one, they had lost their best Generals, who he aserted if not killed in battle, had returned to England disgraced by the English ministry or disgusted by the evidences of English cruelty everywhere manifest in South Africa. England's control in South Africa, the Commandant said, was measured by the range of her cannon, and as-serted that the loss of her best soldiers had driven Secretary Chamberlain to prese into her service the dregs of London's slums. To these mercenaries he charged

the outrages, which, he declared, are of daily ocurrence throughout the Transvasi. BURNING OF DE WETS HOUSE. When General De Wet's house was burned over the heads of his wife and children, by order of Lord Roberts, Comchildren, by order of Lord Roberts, Commandant Krige said that General De Wet sent word to the British commander that the house had cost but \$700, but that the Boers would make the cest to English tax-payers \$7,000,000.

Referring to the concentration camps Commandant Krige, whose sister is at present held prisoner by the English, declared that letters written him by persons who had escaped from those camps put the death rate at 45 for every thousand persons imprisoned therein.

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Commandant Krige declared that President Steyn of the Orange Free State and President Steyn of the Orange Free State and President Kruger of the Transvaal do not expect intervention in behalf of the Boers either from President Roosevelt or the heads of Europeau nations. The struggle will be prolonged, he said, with England's own powder and shot until the taxburdened people of England demand peace.

In closing his address, Commandant Krige declared that when the time arrived for the war's settlement the cuestion will be not what conditions England will offer, but what terms the Boers will accept.

Among those who attended last night's meeting were Judge Roderick Rombauer and Mrs. Rombauer, P. Doerr, the Reverend C. Kretchmar, Theodore and Ernest Lange, Professor E. Seuel, F. Mueller, John P. Lerhy, John P. Shine and H. C. Medonbach de Rooy, Adjutant of the Foreign Legion of the Boer army. tel at Jerseyville was surprised yesterday

Resolutions Adopted.

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Before the adjournment of the meeting the following resolutions were adopted:

We, citizens of St. Louis in public meeting assembled, at Concordia Turner Hall, this seventeenth day of January, 192, resolve as follows:

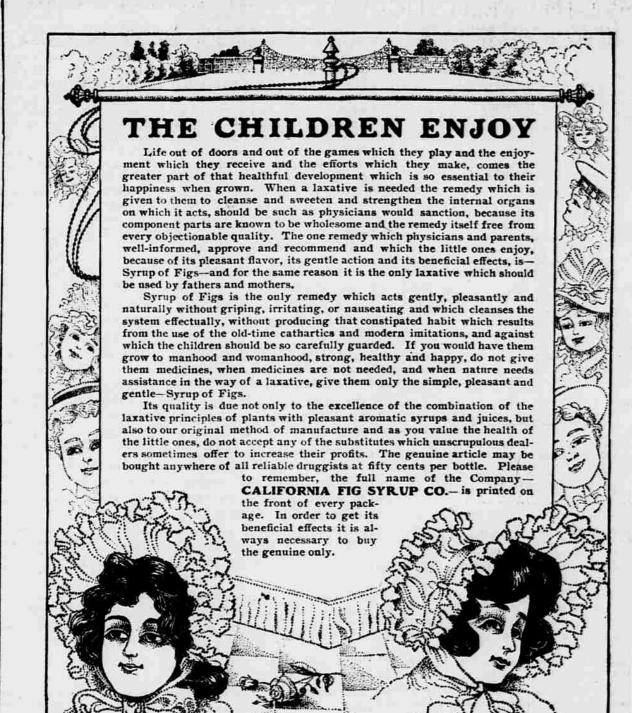
Resolved, That we hereby express our earnest sympathy for the people of the South African Republics in the brutal war being prosecuted for their destruction by the English monarch, whose purpose has always been the extirpation of Republics from the face of the earth.

Resolved, That we express our abhorrence and detestation of the reconcentrado system, so called, by which England is charged in her present war on South African Republics of visiting the calamiteh of war upon the inhabitants of the Transwal and Orange Free State without regard to age, sex or condition, and using such reconcentrado camps for defensive military purposes, which we denounce as cowardly and unchivalrous.

Resolved, further, That we uze President which we denounce as cowardly and unchivalrous.

Resolved, further, That we urge President
Roosevelt to put a stop to the exportation of
horses and mules for the purpose of helping
Great Britain to exterminate the brave and herole people of the South African Republics.
Resolved, That we hereby request the Governor
of our State, following the patriotic example of
the Governor of the neighboring State of Illinois,
to issue a proclamation to all citizens of this
State calling their attention to the sufferings of
the Boer women and children in the reconcentrado camps and urging them to raise a fund for
their relief, and that the Mayors of all the large
citizens as the Governor may select be appointed
as trustees to receive donations to such fund.

If you fail to advertise in The Sunday Republic's "When passing behind a street car, look out for the car approaching from opposite it all week."



### SAYS DOCTOR KUYPER ASKED FOR TERMS.

Amsterdam Advice Is That the Dutch Premier Acted as Boer Emissary.

HOLLAND WILL NOT INTERFERE.

Doctor Kuyper Urged Upon the Afrikanders the Futility of a Hope of Active Sympathy by Any Power.

London, Jan. 17.-Reuter's Telegram Company has received the following dispatch from Amsterdam:

"According to trustworthy information Doctor Kuyper, the Dutch Premier, recently ntimated to the Boer delegates the desir ability, in view of Lord Rosebery's speech at Chesterfield, of their giving some intimation to the British Government of the basis upon which they would entertain peace negotiations.

"Doctor Kuyper pointed out the improb ability of any of the great Powers intervening in South Africa in the near future. and suggested that he be allowed, informally, to sound his friends in London, in the hope of a semiofficial response.

"The Dutch Premier, accordingly, met Abraham Fischer, the leader of the Boer delegates, and others at Brussels, where a long conference was held, after which Doctor Kuyper proceeded to London, The result of his visit, if any has been attained.

is not yet known. "It is understood that Doctor Kuyper dis tinctly assured the Boers that Holland, under no circumstances, would act as an intermediary.

"Doctor Leyds, the representative in Europe of the Transvaal, is expected shortly at The Hague." ATROCITY STORIES DENIED. London, Jan. 17.-A blue book issued to-day on the subject of the concentration

camps in South Africa contains further detailed explanations from Lord Milner, the British High Commissioner, and Lord Kitchener, as to the causes of the excessive death rate in the camps, and refuta tions of the charges of cruelties. Lord Kitchener emphatically denies Comnandant Schalkburger's allegations of

forcible removal and exposure of women and of rough and cruel treatment of women and children, and says: "I proposed to Botha to leave the families and relatives of fighting burghers in un-

disturbed possession of their farms if Betha would agree to spare the farms of the families of surrendered burghers. Botha em-phatically refused, saying: I am entitled to force every man to join, and if they do not join to confiscate their property and leave their families on the veldt." The blue book gives statistics for the month of December last, when there were 117.017 inmates of the camps, and 2,330 deaths, of which number 1,767 were children.

Reports Great Suffering. Boston, Jan. 17.—The Reverend Edward Everett Hale, D. D. president of the Lenda-a-Hand Society, which for months has been

a-Hand Society, which for months has been collecting and shipping clothing, food and other things to the Boer prisoners held by the British in Bermuda. recently sent his assistant, the Reverend W. S. Key, to visit the prison camps and report on the conditions. Mr. Key, who has just returned, says that he was permitted to visit all the camps on six islands, and to talk at will with the prisoners. There are now about camps on six islands, and to talk at will with the prisoners. There are now about 5,000 men and boys in the prison laagers. All the prisoners complained of having no clothing excepting what they were when captured. Some of them had not had a change of underwear for sixtern months. During Mr. Key's visits clothing was dis-Change of underwear for sixtein months.

During Mr. Key's visits clothing was distributed, but hats, caps, socks, towels, handkerchiefs, underclothing, suspenders and soap, needles, thread, buttons and knives are badly needed. The stort allowance of vegetables was complained of.

The Reverend Doctor Hale asks for con-The Reverend Doctor Hale asks for con-tributions of such food as oatmeal, corn-meal, condensed milk, all kinds of cereals, tea, coffee, peas, beans, rice, sago, evap-orated apples, canned corn, dessicated vege-tables and tobacco for the old men. Money is also needed. The Lend-A-Hand Society, Boston, receives and ships all contributions.

# Cleanliness in Equipment. McKinney's Blue Ribbon Bread

Purity in Production,

Order It.

#### BIDS TO BE MADE ON **BALLOON PICTURES.**

Director of Works Taylor Supplies Photographer Lawrence Material for Their Basis.

George R. Lawrence of Chicago, the balloon photography expert, who will probably be engaged to take bird's-eye views of the main picture of the World's Fair from the heights of the air, obtained material from Director of Works Taylor yesterday upon which to base a formal bid for the

work. "We could scarcely be in shape to take attractive photographs of the site before two months," said Mr. Taylor, "but within that time we shall have at least four of that time we shall have at least four or five of the big exhibit buildings in the course of construction. The plan of the balloon or bird's-eye photographs appeals to me very strongly. It will be the first time that the practice of substituting pho-tographs taken from overhead for isotographs taken from overhead for iso-metrical or bird's-eye drawings have been thought of in connection with exposition

ork."
rnotographer Lawrence says that the first rnotographer Lawrence says that the first step in the work would be to get a complete forecast from the Weather Bureau of the meterological conditions in St. Louis during the last five years. With his assistance ne expects to be able to select the seasons best suited for the work. The upper air must be very quiet to permit the work to be done. Frequently on a bright day on earth a windstorm might rage in the upper air which would make the taking of a photograph from a great height impossible.

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The balloon must be absolutely stationary during the errall fraction of a second when the exposure is made. The slightest motion of the balloon would bemish the plate. For this reason hydrogen gas is used by Lawrence to inflate his balloon. The gas is manufactured on the spot by using zinc and sulphuric acid. The litting power of hydrogen is very much greater than that of liuminating gas, and for that reason a smaller balloon and less wind surface is possible.

#### HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS.

Graduating Exercises of Literary Society Witnessed by Two Thousand Persons.

Two thousand persons attended the com

encement exercises of the High School Girls' Literary Society in the High School Auditorium last night. Seventeen young vomen received diplomas, and many of them took part in the programme of the them took part in the programme of the evening with literary or music numbers. The feature of the entertainment was a debate. The subject was: "Respived, That Music Has Had a Greatel Influence on Man Than Poetry." Misses Selma Kalter and Ruth L. Bribach spoke for the affirmative, the negative being represented by Misses Florence D. Messing and Anna S. Maxwell. The judges were High School trachers—Misses Willcox, Matthews, Hinchman and Mil's and Mr. Curtis. They came to a unanimous decision in favor of the negative.

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Next Monday evening in the High School
Auditorium the graduation exercises of the
Boys' Literary Society will be held, and the
regular semiannual graduation of the senior
class will be held at the Odeon Wednesday

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The graduates last night were: Bertle M. Drey, Ollnda Louise Howmiller, Marie E. Rogan, Adele A. V. Hennerich, Esther J. thews, Natalie McIntyre, Edna E. Ojeman, Ruth Bissell Dickinson, Louise Ellison, M. Ellen McMillan, Edna Brinkmeyer, Mabel Lucile Fox, Laura C. A. Krenning, Hildah Levy, Amy V. Armstrong, Selma Kalter and Irma Gottfried.

Every day and Sundays, too. Leaves Union Station at -8:32

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#### WANT RESIGNATION OF VICE CONSUL

drup at Mass Meeting of Swedish-Americans. Swedish-Norwegian Americans met last

night at the Swedish Lutheran Church, No.

Complaints Made Against Essen-

317 California avenue, for the purpose of Protesting against the conduct in office of Vice Consul Afred Essendrup, and taking steps to bring about his resignation. Mr. Essendrup attended the meeting in person Vice Consul Alfred Essendrup, and taking steps to bring about his resignation. Mr. Essendrup attended the meeting in person and was given an opportunity to answer the charges which were brought against him. Five specific causes of compiaint against the Vice Consul were presented, and Essendrup replied to them, talking at great length. The talk was without effect, however, as a motion was unanimously adopted disapproving in decided terms the Vice Consul, and pointedly asking him to resign. The Reverend Carl Renhard, pastor of the Swedish Latheran Church, acted as chairman of the meeting, which was conducted throughout in the Swedish language. He presented the five causes of complaint, which were, in substance, as follows:

Wirst—The Vice Consul is seldom to be found in his office, and persons desiring to do business with him have to hunt about for him. Second—He has not given satisfaction to persons in need of the services of a Consul. Third—He is incompetent, because he is practically unknown to the nersons with whom he has to do business. Fourth—Using his title of Swedish Consul to advertise land scheme, and interest Scandinavians in the projects. Fifth—Was instrumental in having published in out-oftown newspapers accounts of an alleged movement among the Swedish and Norwegian-Americans of St. Louis to erect a building on the grounds of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, which scheme, it is claimed, is absolutely unknown to the Sweeds here.

After the motion protesting was adopted, Mr. Essendrup withdrew from the meeting Before departing he stated that he wound consider the request that he resign if it were gotten up in writing and presented to him. Beside the five causes of complaint above mentioned, several persons presented individual grievances against the consultant above mentioned, several persons presented individual grievances against the consultant and asked him for explanations.

A motion was adopted instructing the secretary to notify the World's Fair manage means on movement here among the Swedish

DELMAR CASE CONTINUED To contempt proceedings against the official of the Delmar Jockey Club, which gree out of the attempt to close the Delma race track last September, were continued in Judge Zachritz's court yesterday to await the action of the United States Supreme Court, to which the controvers, here the controvers, here there is the controvers.